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Dear Mr. Garrison

Saturday, after your left, I called on several of the City friends, and learned that the Unitarians had decided not to open their Church longer, even if wanted - on account of Schisms among themselves - they will probably be compelled to sell the building - to be converted into a private dwelling - I then learned that we may (probably) have a pleasant little room in the Corinthian Hall building, Scaly 2 or 3 to the 1st of April for a moderate

price per Sunday - after the 1st of November - B knows not yet the definite cost thereof - but doubtless $12. per Sunday would cover it - then A's board would probably cost $24. per week - Advertising $6. - Supposing Hall meetings were to commence the last of Nov. & continue to Apr. 1st. - 18 weeks - the entire expenses would be $150.

If Powell could only be sure of being secure against incurring a debt on account of expenses here - he would prefer to go on and give the Series of A. M. Discourses to the 1st of April, similar in character to the Series just completed in the Unitarian Church - and in addition, Sunday evening Anti Slavery lectures, carefully discussing the position &

action of the different religious denominations in relation to Slavery" — also the Political and Social departments — It would seem that if the Society can appropriate $100. there could be no doubt but the $50 might be easily raised — indeed I can count safely on six persons who will give $10. each —

Though Powell would prefer to do this work, even without any remuneration, I trust he would not be left to do so wholly — either by the Society, if it has the power, or the people who shall listen to his utterances — — I do not believe a better appropriation Anti-Slavery-wise can be made, than the $100. or $150. to such a work in Rochester —

Bonnells audiences during these eight discourses have increased in numbers to the last - to day - larger than those had by Channing most of the year he spent here -

It was remarked to day by a friend, "if A's sermon had been preached by Ward Beecher it would have been pronounced a great effort" - his subject was "Organized Crime" -

The friends feel that the audiences would be more likely to be larger in the Hall than they have been in the Church.

So soon as I get a definite proposition from Mr. Reynolds, I will write you, meanwhile at your earliest opportunity write me & let me know how the Committee feel about making

an appropriation — I am
sure there is no place in all
the wide North that more needs
the thorough word spoken on
Anti Slavery — and equally
do I feel sure that A's presence
in our City has already been
felt by the popular Church
people & Clergy — And the
few here, who profess to be
friends of Anti Slavery, owe
it to themselves and the Slave
to sustain a weekly utterance
of the uncompromising gospel
of Anti Slavery — Still they
are, not, one of them, possessed
of money, angels, — and the
faith that will remove moun-
tains is not yet theirs —

I feel exceedingly desirous, that a living voice shall be continually sounded in our midst against the popular sins & crimes of the Nation & the individual — and hope the way may be open to some means therefor —

The weather is cold & raining for your Mrs P. M. & evening — I hope you may escape taking cold & getting sick on this tour —

The storm did not reach us until we arrived home from church — Thus we have had eight successive pleasant Sunday Mornings for the Liberal Christian Series of meetings —

Yours
Susan B. Anthony